

**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended) An electronic apparatus having one or more functions on which use limitations can be imposed, comprising:

a processor operable to execute said one or more functions;

storage operable to store contents of use limitations for said one or more functions, the processor being operable to reference a representation of said contents of use limitations stored in said storage to determine said contents of use limitations for said one or more functions, and being operable to execute said one or more functions only as permitted by said contents of use limitations; and

an infrared light receiving unit operable to receive use-permitting key information transmitted by infrared communication from an external mobile terminal having a wireless communication function, having an infrared ray communication function and operable to connect to a source of use permission over a network, wherein the use-permitting key information is acquired by the external mobile terminal from a source of use permission which transmits the use-permitting key information over a network responsive to a request for contents of use permission transmitted from the external mobile terminal over the network based on input of request for contents of use permission information by a user to the external mobile terminal, and wherein said contents of use limitations are derived from said use-permitting key information.

2. (previously presented) The electronic apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said contents of use limitations